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NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT : DCID No. 1/8, "The National Foreign Intelligence Board

1. As of 6 May the enclosed DCID No. 1/8 was approved by the Director of Central Intelligence. It is circulated herewith for information and appropriate implementation.

2. Copies of this directive will also be printed in the established DCID format and disseminated at an early date to holders of the Intelligence Directives Handbook.



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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE NO. 1/8

THE NATIONAL FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE BOARD

(Effective 6 May 1976)

Pursuant to section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, Executive Order 11905 and National Security Council Directives, a National Foreign Intelligence Board is hereby established.

1. Functions

The National Foreign Intelligence Board shall advise and assist the Director of Central Intelligence with respect to:

a. The review and coordination of national intelligence products;

b. The maintenance of effective interface between intelligence producers and consumers and the development of procedures for continuing identification of consumer needs for intelligence.

c. The establishment of appropriate objectives, requirements, and priorities for substantive intelligence;

d. The review of requirements coordination and operational guidance for intelligence collection systems;

e. The protection of sensitive intelligence sources and methods and of sensitive intelligence information;

f. The development, as appropriate, of policies regarding arrangements with foreign governments on intelligence matters; and

g. Such other matters as the Director of Central Intelligence may refer to the Board for advice.

2. Membership

a. The following Intelligence Community officials shall be members of the National Foreign Intelligence Board:

Director of Central Intelligence, Chairman  
Deputy to the Director of Central Intelligence  
for the Intelligence Community, Vice Chairman  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
Director of Intelligence and Research, Department  
of State  
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency  
Director, National Security Agency  
Representative of the Secretary of the Treasury  
Representative of the Administrator, Energy  
Research and Development Administration  
Representative of the Director, Federal Bureau  
of Investigation

b. The following will have observer status on the Board:

Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence,  
Department of the Army  
Director of Naval Intelligence, Department of  
the Navy  
Assistant Chief of Staff Intelligence, Department  
of the Air Force

c. The Director of Central Intelligence, as Chairman, shall invite the chief of any other department or agency having functions related to the national security to sit with the National Foreign Intelligence Board whenever matters within the purview of his department or agency are to be discussed.

3. Support

a. The Deputy to the Director of Central Intelligence for the Intelligence Community shall provide an Executive Secretary to the Board and a Secretariat Staff.

b. Continuing support for the Board shall be provided by standing Director of Central Intelligence Committees established to deal with the various functions and categories of intelligence. These committees shall be organized and shall function in accordance with provisions of DCID 1/3.

c. Each member and observer of the National Foreign Intelligence Board shall appoint a representative to serve on each DCI committee which deals with matters within or closely related to his responsibilities.

4. Meetings

The National Foreign Intelligence Board shall meet at such times and such places as may be designated by the Director of Central Intelligence.

George Bush  
Director of Central Intelligence